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B. ACC	OUNTANT IDENTIFI	CATION	
INDEPENDENT PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT w PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP	hose opinion is contained i	n this Report*	
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Ι,	Patrick W. McKeon	, swear (or affirm) that, to the best of
-	knowledge and belief the accompanying financial stateme	
of_		, are true and correct. I further swear (or affirm) that
		ficer or director has any proprietary interest in any account
clas	ssified solely as that of a customer, except as follows:	
		Patrick W. M. Ylon Signature
		Signature
		Senior Vice President, CFO
	KATHLEEN GEE	Title
	Notary Public Exp. 8-25-07	
	is report ** contains (check all applicable boxes):	
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	(j) A Reconciliation, including appropriate explanation	of the Computation of Net Capital Under Rule 15c3-3 and the
	Computation for Determination of the Reserve Requi	rements Under Exhibit A of Rule 15c3-3. Statements of Financial Condition with respect to methods of
Ц	consolidation.	Statements of Financial Condition with respect to methods of
	(l) An Oath or Affirmation.	
	(m) A copy of the SIPC Supplemental Report.(n) A report describing any material inadequacies found to	exist or found to have existed since the date of the previous audit.

**For conditions of confidential treatment of certain portions of this filing, see section 240.17a-5(e)(3).

Upromise Investments, Inc. Financial Statements and Supplementary Schedules Index December 31, 2004

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Report of Independent Auditors

To the Shareholder of Upromise Investments, Inc.

In our opinion, the accompanying statement of financial condition and the related statements of operations, changes in stockholder's equity, and cash flows present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Upromise Investments, Inc. (the "Company"), a wholly-owned subsidiary of Upromise, Inc. (the "Parent"), at December 31, 2004, and the results of its operations and its cash flows for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit of these statements in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements, assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, and evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

As disclosed in Note 3 to the financial statements, Upromise Investments, Inc. has extensive transactions with Upromise, Inc. Because of this relationship, it is possible that the terms of these transactions are not the same as those that would result from transactions among wholly unrelated parties.

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the basic financial statements taken as a whole. The information contained in Schedules I, II, and III is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements, but is supplementary information required by Rule 17a-5 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

February 28, 2005

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Upromise Investments, Inc. Statement of Financial Condition

December 31, 2004

Assets	
Cash	\$ 1,633,146
Cash segregated under federal and other regulations	50,000
Accounts receivable	633,529
Prepaid expenses	52,690
Securities owned, at fair value	3,300
Intangible asset, net	153,455
Total assets	\$ 2,526,120
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Liabilities and Stockholder's Equity	
Payable to affiliates	362,437
Commitments and contingencies	
Common Stock, \$.01 par; 100 shares authorized, issued	
and outstanding	1
Additional paid-in capital	844,396
Retained earnings	1,319,286
Total stockholder's equity	2,163,683
Total liabilities and stockholder's equity	\$ 2,526,120

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

Upromise Investments, Inc. Statement of Operations Year Ended December 31, 2004

Revenues	
Service fees	\$ 3,700,985
Interest income	1,023,975
Total revenues	4,724,960
Expenses	
Compensation and benefits	1,292,128
General and administrative	1,770,874
Total expenses	3,063,002
Income before income taxes	1,661,958
Provision for income taxes (Note 5)	(672,807)
Net income	\$ 989,151

Upromise Investments, Inc. Statement of Changes in Stockholder's Equity Year Ended December 31, 2004

	Common Stock		Ad	Additional		etained		
	Shares	Amo	unt	Paid-	in Capital	_ <u>E</u>	arnings	Total
Balance at December 31, 2003	100	\$	1	\$	844,396	\$	330,135	\$ 1,174,532
Net income							989,151	989,151
Balance at December 31, 2004	100	\$	1	\$_	844,396	\$	1,319,286	\$ 2,163,683

Upromise Investments, Inc. Statement of Cash Flows Year Ended December 31, 2004

Cash flows from operating activities Net income	\$ 989,151
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by	
operating activities	
Changes in operating assets and liabilities	
Cash segregated under federal and other regulations	99,724,936
Interest receivable	58,351
Accounts receivable	(267,500)
Prepaid expenses	8,324
Payable to customers	(99,674,936)
Payable to affiliates	112,294
Accrued expenses	(5,360)
Deferred revenue	(6,667)
Total adjustments	(50,558)
Net cash provided by operating activities	938,593
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents	938,593
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of period	694,553
Cash and cash equivalents, end of period	\$ 1,633,146

1. Organization and Nature of Business

Upromise Investments, Inc. (the "Company") is a Delaware corporation and a wholly-owned subsidiary of Upromise, Inc. (the "Parent"). The Company is a registered broker-dealer with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") and a member of the National Association of Securities Dealers, Inc. (the "NASD") and the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board (the "MSRB").

The Company has agreements, to serve as transfer and servicing agent and program manager, with various college savings programs ("529 Plans"), including: Nevada's Upromise College Fund, The Vanguard 529 College Savings Plan, The Columbia 529 Plan and The USAA College Savings Plan; New York's 529 College Savings Program Direct Plan and New York's 529 College Savings Program Advisor Plan; and Colorado's CollegeInvest Direct Portfolio College Savings Plan. As permitted under these contracts, the Company has executed investment management agreements with Upromise Investment Advisors, LLC ("UIA") under which UIA will provide the advisory, transfer and servicing agent functions for these 529 Plans.

The Company's Parent operates a consumer savings loyalty network that allows the Parent's members to save for college tuition and other expenses when they purchase goods or services from merchants participating in the Parent's service. From January 1, 2004 through October 31, 2004 the Company provided broker-dealer services to individuals who became members of the Parent's service. Effective November 1, 2004 the Parent established a trust account to hold rebates that the members of the consumer savings loyalty network have not chosen to invest in 529 Plans. Prior to November 1, 2004, the cash associated with these rebates was included in the assets of the Company under the caption Cash segregated under federal and other regulations on the Statement of Financial Condition. Upon the establishment of the trust by the Parent, these assets were transferred to the trust and are no longer included in the assets of the Company, except for a residual statutory amount of \$50,000 at December 31, 2004.

2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Use of Estimates

The accompanying financial statements are prepared in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, which necessarily requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Risks and Uncertainties

The future viability of the Company is dependent on the Parent's ability to successfully continue its planned operations. The Parent is subject to a number of risks common to companies in developing industries including, but not limited to, an evolving business model, a limited operating history, market acceptance of new solutions and services, legislative changes impacting the 529 college savings market, dependence on key personnel and the Parent's ability to manage its expenditures in order to maintain positive cash and working capital through the year ending December 31, 2005. The financial statements do not include any adjustments that might result from the potential effects of these uncertainties. See also Note 3.

Upromise Investments, Inc. Notes to Financial Statements December 31, 2004

Cash and Cash Equivalents and Supplemental Statement of Cash Flows Data

Cash equivalents are defined as short-term, highly liquid investments with an original maturity of three months or less that are not held for sale in the ordinary course of business. During the year ended December 31, 2004, the Company did not pay any income taxes or interest.

Cash Segregated Under Federal and Other Regulations

The Company maintains separate accounts for the exclusive benefit of customers in accordance with SEC Rule 15c3-3, as determined by periodic computations. Rule 15c3-3 allows the Company to maintain the required amounts in cash or qualified securities.

Securities Owned

Security transactions are recorded on a trade date basis. Securities owned by the Company consist entirely of an investment in the NASDAQ Stock Market, Inc. Management has determined that the security's fair value at December 31, 2004 approximated its cost of \$3,300.

Revenue Recognition

Service fees include the distribution fee component of the program management fees earned under the 529 Plans. The distribution fee component of the program management fee is generally one-quarter to one-third of the total program management fee, which is calculated daily, and paid monthly, based upon the net assets of the investment options within the 529 Plans.

Income Taxes

The Company is included in the consolidated income tax returns filed by the Parent. Current and deferred income taxes are allocated by the Parent to each subsidiary as if it were a separate tax payer. Deferred income taxes are recognized for the future tax consequences of tax differences between the tax bases of assets and liabilities and their financial reporting amounts at each year end, based on enacted tax rates applicable to the periods in which the differences are expected to affect taxable income. A valuation allowance is established when necessary to reduce deferred tax assets to an amount, which is more likely than not realizable. Current and deferred tax liabilities resulting from the income tax allocations are recorded as receivable from or payable to the Parent. To the extent that the Company does not pay any resulting tax provision to the Parent or receive any resulting tax benefit from the Parent, such provision/benefit will be deemed a contribution/distribution and be recorded as Additional Paid-in Capital.

Intangible Assets

Intangible assets relate to an acquired brokerage license, which is deemed to have an indefinite life and, therefore, amortization was ceased beginning January 1, 2002 in accordance with Statement of Financial Accounting Standards ("SFAS") No. 142, *Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets*. Annually, the Company reviews the asset for potential impairment. The Company has concluded that there is no impairment as of December 31, 2004.

3. Related Party Transactions

The Company has an overhead expense and service agreement with the Parent whereby the Parent will provide all necessary business operation functions without required reimbursement to the Parent. These services include, but are not limited to: rent and facilities expenses, financial management, tax return preparation and filings, public relations, legal services, information systems, human resources and other corporate and administrative services. The Company may, in

its sole discretion, repay the Parent, provided such repayment would not result in the Company's net capital falling below 120% of its minimum requirement under Rule 15c3-1.

During the year ended December 31, 2004, the Company recorded expenses of \$1,292,128 for its share of employee compensation, including stock compensation expense for officers of the company, and \$1,770,874 for its share of general and administrative functions paid by the Parent. Included in the Payable to affiliates on the Statement of Financial Condition are amounts related to such shared expenses, the Company's current year tax liability to the Parent, and amounts related to the allocation of program management fees earned.

4. Net Capital Requirements

The Company is subject to the SEC's Uniform Net Capital Rule 15c3-1 (the "Rule"), which requires the maintenance of minimum net capital. The Company has elected to use the alternative method, permitted by the Rule, which requires that the Company maintain minimum net capital, as defined, equal to the greater of \$250,000 or 2% of debit balances arising from customer transactions. During 2004, there were no withdrawals of equity or dividends paid by the Company. At December 31, 2004, the Company had net capital of \$1,320,709 which was \$1,070,709 in excess of its required net capital of \$250,000.

5. Income Taxes

The Company is included in the consolidated federal income tax return filed by its Parent. Federal income taxes are calculated as if the Company filed a separate income tax return.

The current and deferred portions of the income tax expense for the period ended December 31, 2004 is as follows:

	Current	Deferred	Total	
Federal	\$ 509,563	\$ -	\$ 509,563	
State	163,244		\$ 163,244	
	\$ 672,807	<u>\$. - </u>	\$ 672,807	

6. Commitments and Contingencies

The Company may enter into agreements that contain certain representations and warranties and which provide general indemnifications. The Company serves as a guarantor of such obligations. The Company's maximum exposure under these arrangements is unknown, as this would involve future claims that may be made against Upromise Investments, Inc. that have not yet occurred. The Company expects any risk of liability associated with such guarantees to be remote.

Upromise Investments, Inc. Notes to Financial Statements December 31, 2004

7. Subsequent Events

During February 2005, the Company became program manager of the Arkansas GIFT College Investing Plan, which had approximately \$156 million of assets under management at the conversion date. Consistent with the other 529 plans for which the Company serves as program manager, the Company will share in the distribution fee component of the program management fees. Additionally, during 2005 the Company will recognize revenue from conversion fees.

Upromise Investments, Inc. Schedule I - Computation of Net Capital under Rule 15c3-1 of the Securities and Exchange Commission December 31, 2004

Stockholder's equity	\$ 2,163,683
Less - Total non-allowable assets	839,674
Less - Haircuts on security positions	3,300
Net capital	1,320,709
Less - net capital requirement (greater of \$250,000 or 2% of debit balances)	250,000
Net capital in excess of requirements	\$ 1,070,709

Statement Pursuant to Paragraph (d)(4) of Rule 17a-5 of the Securities and Exchange Commission

There are no material differences between this computation of net capital and the corresponding calculation prepared by the Company and included in the Company's unaudited Part II FOCUS report filed by the Company as of December 31, 2004.

Upromise Investments, Inc. Schedule II - Computation For Determination of Reserve Requirements Under Rule 15c3-3 of the Securities and Exchange Commission December 31, 2004 Credit Balances Free credit balances and other credit balances in customers' security accounts Total credit items Reserve Computation Excess of total credits over total debits Required deposit 50,000

Amount of deposit in reserve bank account

Statement Pursuant to Paragraph (d)(4) of Rule 17a-5 of the Securities and Exchange Commission

There are no material differences between this computation of net capital and the corresponding calculation prepared by the Company and included in the Company's unaudited Part II FOCUS report filed by the Company as of December 31, 2004.

Upromise Investments, Inc.
Schedule III – Information Relating to Possession or Control Requirements
Under Rule 15c3-3 of the Securities and Exchange Commission
December 31, 2004

1.	Customers' fully paid and e	xcess margin securities not in the respondent's		
	possession or control as of	the report date (for which instructions to reduce to		
	possession or control had b	been issued as of the report date but for which the		
	required action was not taken by respondent within the time frames specified			
	under Rule 15c-3):		\$	
	A.	Number of items		
2	Customoral fully maid soon	ities and aveces margin securities for which		
۷.	• •	ities and excess margin securities for which		
		ossession or control had not been issued as of the		
	•	s arising from "temporary lags which result from		
	normal business operations	s" as permitted under Rule 15c3-3:	\$	
	A.	Number of items		-



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Report of Independent Auditors on Internal Control Required by SEC Rule 17a-5

To the Shareholder of Upromise Investments, Inc.

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements and supplemental schedules of Upromise Investments, Inc. (the "Company") for the year ended December 31, 2004, we considered its internal control, including control activities for safeguarding securities, in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements and not to provide assurance on the internal control.

Also, as required by Rule 17a-5(g)(1) of the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC"), we have made a study of the practices and procedures followed by the Company, including tests of compliance with such practices and procedures, that we considered relevant to the objectives stated in Rule 17a-5(g), in the following:

1. Making the periodic computations of aggregate debits and net capital under Rule 17a-3(a)(11) and the reserve required by Rule 15c3-3(e).

Because the Company does not carry securities for customers or perform custodial functions relating to customer securities, we did not review the practices and procedures followed by the Company in any of the following:

- 1. Making the quarterly securities examinations, counts, verifications, and comparisons, and the recordation of differences required by Rule 17a-13;
- 2. Complying with the requirements for prompt payment for securities under Section 8 of Federal Reserve Regulation T of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System; and
- 3. Obtaining and maintaining physical possession or control of all fully paid and excess margin securities of customers as required by Rule 15c3-3.

The management of the Company is responsible for establishing and maintaining internal control and the practices and procedures referred to in the preceding paragraph. In fulfilling this responsibility, estimates and judgments by management are required to assess the expected benefits and related costs of control and of the practices and procedures referred to in the preceding paragraph, and to assess whether those practices and procedures can be expected to achieve the SEC's above-mentioned objectives. Two of the objectives of internal control and the practices and procedures are to provide management with reasonable, but not absolute, assurance that assets for which the Company has responsibility are safeguarded against loss from unauthorized use or disposition, and that transactions are executed in accordance with management's authorization and recorded properly to permit the preparation of financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. Rule 17a-5(g) lists additional objectives of the practices and procedures listed in the preceding paragraph.



Because of inherent limitations in internal control or the practices and procedures referred to above, errors or fraud may occur and not be detected. Also, projection of any evaluation of internal control to future periods is subject to the risk that controls may become inadequate because of changes in conditions or that the effectiveness of their design and operation may deteriorate.

Our consideration of internal control would not necessarily disclose all matters in internal control that might be material weaknesses under standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. A material weakness is a condition in which the design or operation of one or more of the specific internal control components does not reduce to a relatively low level the risk that error or fraud in amounts that would be material in relation to the financial statements being audited may occur and not be detected within a timely period by employees in the normal course of performing their assigned functions. However, we noted no matters involving internal control, including procedures for safeguarding securities that we consider to be material weaknesses as defined above.

We understand that practices and procedures that accomplish the objectives referred to in the second paragraph of this report are considered by the SEC to be adequate for its purposes in accordance with the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and related regulations, and that practices and procedures that do not accomplish such objectives in all material respects indicate a material inadequacy for such purposes. Based on this understanding and on our study, we believe that the Company's practices and procedures were adequate at December 31, 2004 to meet the SEC's objectives.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the Shareholder of Upromise Investments, Inc., management, the SEC, the National Association of Securities Dealers, and other regulatory agencies that rely on Rule 17a-5(g) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 in their regulation of registered brokers and dealers, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

February 28, 2005

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